Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project Bay Watershed Council

Resolution No. 2001-06

A Resolution to Award Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grants

WHEREAS, the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000 (Proposition 12) provided \$25 million for restoration of Santa Monica Bay in accordance with the goals and priorities of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project is established as a National Estuary Program per Section 320 of the Federal Water Quality Act of 1987 (PL 100-4) and is committed to the restoration, conservation, cleanup, protection and enhancement of the Santa Monica Bay and the wise use of the natural resources within its watersheds; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Watershed Council is the governing body of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 12 provided that the Bay Watershed Council of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project shall determine project eligibility and grant priorities; and

WHEREAS, the California Legislature has to date obligated \$5 million of bond monies to this grant program which is administered by the California State Coastal Conservancy and it is anticipated that an additional \$5 million will be obligated in the 2001-02 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project has undertaken a process to solicit and receive project proposals that achieve the goals and priorities of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, a Review Panel has reviewed and made recommendations regarding the proposals received and forwarded those recommendations to the Bay Watershed Council's Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Watershed Council's Steering Committee has reviewed the recommendations of Review Panel and has forwarded its recommendations to the Bay Watershed Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Bay Watershed Council of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project recommends that the following projects be awarded grant funding under the provisions of the 2000 Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grant Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to fulfill the requirements of the grant program, that these project proponents must develop full proposals, i.e. detailed work programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at such time that the work programs developed by the project proponents are deemed satisfactory to achieve the goals of the grant program, and meet the conditions set forth by Review Panel and all other necessary requirements; that the Bay Watershed Council recommends that the California Coastal Conservancy enter into grant agreements with these entities to disburse funds from the Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grant Program account, as follows:

A. For projects that restore habitat in Santa Monica Bay watersheds:

\$200,000 to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Malibu Creek Environmental Restoration Study, which would provide matching funds for the feasibility study for removal of Rindge Dam;

\$55,000 to the National Park Service-Santa Monica Mountains/Mountains Restoration Trust for a project to restore riparian habitats along Lower Solstice Creek;

\$50,000 to the Santa Monica BayKeeper for a project to restore kelp bed habitat at three sites along the Malibu coast;

\$189,000 to the Mountains Restoration Trust for a project to remove *Arundo donax* and other non-native plants in state parkland along Malibu Creek from the Pacific Coast Highway bridge to Malibu Canyon/Las Virgenes Road;

\$780,000 to the City of Torrance and the West Basin Municipal Water District for a project to restore fresh water wetland habitat at Madrona Marsh Preserve;

\$180,000 to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for a project to remove Arundo donax and other non-native plant species along lower Topanga Creek;

\$282,000 to the City of Calabasas for a project to remove a 400 foot section of concrete from Las Virgenes Creek and reintroduction of native riparian vegetation; and

\$298,760 to the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains to develop a final restoration plan, including engineered drawings, for restoration of the lower Topanga Creek watershed and Lagoon.

B. For projects that prevent, reduce and/or control sources of pollutants to Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds:

\$168,000 to the City of Culver City for a project to improve water quality in Ballona Creek through installation of a Continuous Deflective Separation unit to trap gross solids and

remove oil and grease at a storm drain located near the Overland Avenue Bridge along Ballona Creek;

\$810,000 to the City of Los Angeles for a project to divert dry weather runoff from the Temescal Canyon storm drain that impacts recreational uses at Will Rogers State Beach;

\$30,000 to the City of West Hollywood for a project to install 20 catch basin excluder devices at high intensity commercial areas along Sunset and Santa Monica Boulevards;

\$810,000 to the City of Los Angeles for a project to divert dry weather runoff from the Imperial Highway storm drain that impacts recreational uses at Dockweiler State Beach;

\$600,000 to the County of Los Angeles for a project to install and monitor up to 200 catch basin trash inserts and up to 16 vortex separation systems in order to analyze and characterize the nature of trash from eight different land use types;

C. For research, education and monitoring projects that achieve the priority objectives of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan;

\$100,000 to the Southern California Coastal Waters Research Project and the National Fisheries Conservation Center to assess the impacts of human activities on changes to nearshore fish populations and assemblages of Santa Monica Bay;

Up to \$284,430 to the UCLA Ocean Discovery Center for the "EcoPak" project, to develop and implement pre- and post-field trip curriculum and training focusing on Santa Monica Bay habitats and environmental problems;

Up to \$88,420 to the University of California at Los Angeles for a project to evaluate restoration techniques for rocky intertidal communities of Santa Monica Bay;

\$63,800 to Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Mountains Restoration Trust, and the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains for a project to assess the population and movement of Western Pond Turtles (a State and Federal species of concern) in the Upper Topanga Canyon watershed;

Up to \$365,835 to the California State University at Monterey Bay to map and assess shallow water habitats in Santa Monica Bay to determine availability of kelp and rockfish habitat and potential for kelp restoration and rockfish replenishment;

\$350,600 to Heal the Bay for a project to map pollution sources, characterize impairments, generate and compile water quality monitoring data, prioritize restoration projects and Best Management Practices in the Malibu Creek watershed;

Up to \$667,000 to the City of Malibu to develop and implement a groundwater quality monitoring program and model to assess risks associated with decentralized wastewater treatment systems;

Up to \$347,000 to the University of Southern California Wrigley Institute of Environmental Studies for the development of "public-friendly" web-based Santa Monica Bay geographic information and data management system to coordinate monitoring and research activities and to communicate information about the state of Santa Monica Bay to watershed stakeholders;

Up to \$250,000 to the UCLA Ocean Discovery Center for drawings and engineering studies associated with the expansion of the facility. These funds are contingent upon the ability of the ODC to secure at least \$5 million in commitment for construction of the facility by April 2003.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bay Watershed Council shall consider expenditure of up to \$3 million (after development of full proposals) for storm water pollution control project proposals from the cities of Santa Monica, Los Angeles and Manhattan Beach, and for an education program proposed by the Get Wet Marine Science Education Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project shall file the original resolution in the official records of the organization.

This resolution has been adopted on this 19th day of April, in the year 2001.

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Burt Margolin

Chair of the Bay Watershed Council

Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project Bay Watershed Council

Resolution No. 2002-02

A Resolution to Award Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grants

WHEREAS, the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000 (Proposition 12) provided \$25 million for restoration of Santa Monica Bay in accordance with the goals and priorities of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project is established as a National Estuary Program per Section 320 of the Federal Water Quality Act of 1987 (PL 100-4) and is committed to the restoration, conservation, cleanup, protection and enhancement of the Santa Monica Bay and the wise use of the natural resources within its watersheds; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Watershed Council is the governing body of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 12 provided that the Bay Watershed Council of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project shall determine project eligibility and grant priorities; and

WHEREAS, the California Legislature has to date obligated \$15 million of bond monies to this grant program which is administered by the California State Coastal Conservancy and it is anticipated that an additional \$5 million will be obligated in the 2002-03 state budget; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project has undertaken a process to solicit and receive project proposals that achieve the goals and priorities of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, a SMBRP Proposition 12 Review Committee has reviewed and made recommendations regarding the proposals received and forwarded those recommendations to the Bay Watershed Council's Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Watershed Council's Steering Committee has reviewed the recommendations of Review Panel and has forwarded its recommendations to the Bay Watershed Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Bay Watershed Council of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project recommends that the following projects be awarded grant funding under the provisions of the 2000 Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grant Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to fulfill the requirements of the grant program, that these project proponents must satisfy conditions set forth by the Review Committee and must develop full proposals, i.e. detailed work programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at such time that the work programs developed by the project proponents are deemed satisfactory to achieve the goals of the grant program, and meet the conditions set forth by Review Committee and all other necessary requirements; that the Bay Watershed Council recommends that the California Coastal Conservancy enter into grant agreements with these entities to disburse funds from the Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grant Program account, as follows:

A. For projects that restore habitat in Santa Monica Bay watersheds:

\$88,450 to the Mountains Restoration Trust for a project to eradicate invasive species from riparian and upland habitat in lower Tuna Canyon;

\$97,060 to the Friends of Ballona Wetlands for a project to restore coastal dune habitat at the Ballona Wetlands;

\$400,000 to the Malibu Coastal Land Conservancy to remove the "Arizona crossing" in lower Malibu Creek and to build a one-lane bridge that will allow for passage of endangered steelhead trout to upstream spawning and rearing habitat;

\$200,000 to California Trout Inc. for a project to assess steelhead trout habitat in the Santa Monica Mountains and to develop a strategic plan for development of restoration priorities; and

\$121,000 (conditional) to the City of Calabasas for a project to restore riparian habitat in Las Virgenes Creek.

B. For projects that prevent, reduce and/or control sources of pollutants to Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds:

\$3 million to municipalities in the Ballona Creek watershed for storm water pollution control projects that will address trash, metals and PAH in the Ballona Creek watershed. A specific list of projects to be funded will be developed through Working Group organized by the SMBRP and will form the basis of grant awards to the various municipalities;

\$600,000 to the City of Los Angeles for construction of a project to divert dry-weather urban runoff and reduce pathogen contamination at the beaches located adjacent to the Castlerock and Parker Canyon drains.

\$700,000 to the City of Los Angeles for construction of a project to divert dry-weather urban runoff and reduce pathogen contamination at the beaches located adjacent to the Pulga Canyon drain.

Exhibit 4: SMBRC Resolutions 2001-06 and 2002-02

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bay Watershed Council shall consider expenditure of up to an additional \$2,414,490 for urban runoff diversion projects, a recycled water line extension, kelp habitat restoration, amphibian habitat restoration, beach bluff restoration and creek restoration in Nicholas Canyon pending outcome of presentations by project applicants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project shall file the original resolution in the official records of the organization.

This resolution has been adopted on this 20th day of June in the year 2002.

ATTEST:

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Burt Margolin
Chair of the Bay Watershed Council